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Dear Mr. Ceto:

**COMPLETION OF HANFORD FEDERAL FACILITY AGREEMENT AND CONSENT ORDER (TRI-PARTY AGREEMENT) INTERIM MILESTONE M-016-28B, INITIATE IN-FIELD TREATABILITY TEST AT 100-KR-4 OPERABLE UNIT**

In October 2004, the U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) agreed to conduct a treatability test for groundwater contaminated with hexavalent chromium at the 100-KR-4 Operable Unit (Tri-Party Agreement Change Request M-16-05-08). The in-field treatability test would be initiated by July 1, 2005, and take between 18 to 36 months to complete but would be evaluated frequently. As agreed to, calcium polysulfide will be the test chemical used for his test.

On June 28, 2005, the 100-KR-4 in-field treatability test was initiated completing Hanford Federal Agreement and Consent Order (Tri-Party Agreement) Milestone M-016-28B, "Initiate In-Field Treatability Test at 100-KR-4." This is three days ahead of the July 1, 2005, due date. Work will be conducted in accordance with the approved Treatability Test Plan for Fixation of Chromium in the Groundwater at 100-K."

We appreciate EPA's continued commitment to Hanford cleanup so that work scope is completed efficiently and is protective of human health and the environment.

If you have questions, please contact me, or your staff may contact John Morse of my staff, on (509) 376-0057.

Sincerely,

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for the Central Plateau

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